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estragole, and wherein said formulation is used as a micro-organism inhibitor such as a food preservative.

- 11. (Twice Amended) A formulation as claimed in claim 10 wherein the concentration of fennel oil or basil oil or active ingredient thereof is between 0.01% to 1% and the concentration of benzoic acid or paraben is from 0.01% to 1%.
- 14. (Twice Amended) The formulation according to claim 10 wherein the formulation is in combination with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.
- 15. (Twice Amended) The formulation according to claim 11 wherein the formulation is in combination with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.